### Amendment No. 13 to HB0194

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by adding the following new section immediately preceding the last section and by renumbering the subsequent section accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new appropriately designated section:

50-6-1\_\_\_.

- (a) It is the intent of the general assembly that the workers' compensation system ensures a fair, equitable, expeditious, and efficient administration of the workers' compensation law to ensure the health and safety of Tennessee workers and to increase the creation of small businesses in Tennessee.
- (b) Any cost or savings increase to the state as a result of the workers' compensation system shall be placed in a fund to be established and maintained by the administration of workers' compensation and the department of labor and workforce development. The fund shall encourage the creation of small businesses in this state by providing access to essential information, education or training as provided by the department of labor and workforce development or other state agencies for potential and current small business owners.
- (c) The administrator of workers' compensation and the commissioner of the department of labor and workforce development shall report annually to the commerce and labor committee of the senate and the consumer and human resources committee of the house of representatives, beginning July 1, 2016, indicating the programs sponsored by the fund the previous year, prospective

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programs for the next year and a statement of the resources and liabilities of the fund.